amending statement has been completed in accordance with the applicable requirements or that any information contained therein is true, current, complete or not misleading. Every Form MSD-4, Form MSD-5, or amending statement filed with the Corporation under this part shall constitute a filing with the Securities and Exchange Commission for purposes of section 17(c)(1) of the Act (15 U.S.C. 78q(c)(1)) and a report, application, or document within the meaning of section 32(a) of the Act (15 U.S.C. 78ff(a)). Forms MSD-4 and MSD-5 can be obtained from the FDIC regional office for the area in which the bank is located.

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## PART 344—RECORDKEEPING AND CONFIRMATION REQUIREMENTS FOR SECURITIES TRANSACTIONS

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## §344.1 Purpose and scope.

(a) Purpose. The purpose of this part is to ensure that purchasers of securities in transactions effected by a state nonmember insured bank (except a District bank) or a foreign bank having an insured branch are provided adequate information regarding transactions. This part is also designed to ensure that banks subject to this part maintain adequate records and controls with respect to the securities transactions they effect.

(b) *Scope*; *general*. Any security transaction effected for a customer by a bank is subject to this part unless ex-

cepted by §344.2. A bank effecting transactions in government securities is subject to the notification, record-keeping, and policies and procedures requirements of this part. This part also applies to municipal securities transactions by a bank that is not registered as a "municipal securities dealer" with the Securities and Exchange Commission. See 15 U.S.C. 78c(a)(30) and 780-4.

## §344.2 Exceptions.

(a) A bank effecting securities transactions for customers is not subject to all or part of this part 344 to the extent that they qualify for one or more of the following exceptions:

(1) Small number of transactions. The requirements of §§ 344.4(a) (2) through (4) and 344.8(a) (1) through (3) do not apply to a bank effecting an average of fewer than 200 securities transactions per year for customers over the prior three calendar year period. The calculation of this average does not include transactions in government securities.

(2) Government securities. The record-keeping requirements of §344.4 do not apply to banks effecting fewer than 500 government securities brokerage transactions per year. This exemption does not apply to government securities dealer transactions by banks.

(3) Municipal securities. This part does not apply to transactions in municipal securities effected by a bank registered with the Securities and Exchange Commission as a "municipal securities dealer" as defined in title 15 U.S.C. 78c(a)(30). See 15 U.S.C. 78o-4.

(4) Foreign branches. Activities of foreign branches of a bank shall not be subject to the requirements of this part.

(5) Transactions effected by registered broker/dealers. (i) This part does not apply to securities transactions effected for a bank customer by a registered broker/dealer if:

(A) The broker/dealer is fully disclosed to the bank customer; and

(B) The bank customer has a direct contractual agreement with the broker/dealer.

(ii) This exemption extends to bank arrangements with broker/dealers which involve bank employees when